

## CHALLENGE IS OUT

DEMOCRATS THROW DOWN GAUNTLET FOR REPUBLICANS.

It is soon picked up by the party that has always been brave in defending its doctrine—they will jointly debate the issues at Hutchinson and Wichita. Two men to be selected from each club—a red hot time is expected—Democrats make claims which the other gentlemen smile at.

The Democratic Traveling Men of 20 members, representing various organizations, a Bryan and Sewall club, organized in the Hotel Carey last night and elected the following officers: John P. Peever, president; C. A. Englehart, secretary and treasurer; and George T. Irwin, Gus V. Wells and H. W. Roach, vice presidents. The boys had a list of 101 names, all of whom, they said, were members of the club. They passed a resolution tendering the names of the members as an evidence that there was a sentiment for free silver among the traveling men of the seventh district. Then, they said, was in reply to a statement made by Mr. Beach, the president of the other club. They issued the following challenge for a joint debate to the McKinley and Hearst Traveling Men's club:

The seventh district Traveling Men's Bryan and Sewall Free Silver club hereby challenge the McKinley Traveling Men's club of the same district to two joint debates, one to be held at Hutchinson and one at Wichita. The orators to be traveling men and the debates to be held during this campaign.

WILL BEAT IT.  
GEO. T. IRWIN.

There is no doubt but what the Republican Traveling Men's club will accept the challenge and wipe the earth with their Democratic comrades. They undoubtedly have the best of the argument and as Chester Long well says, Republicans are always brave enough to defend their principles. The McKinley club is increasing in membership every day and by the election will have the Democrats badly on the log train. They will have two to their one or more.

The rivalry between both clubs will be friendly and during the next two months they will make the atmosphere hot with argument.

When the joint debate takes place in Wichita it will be an event that will fill the auditorium to its utmost capacity. It will be more interesting than a fat man's baseball game.

In the meantime the boys on both sides are studying the issues closely as to be ready when called upon, to enter the arena of debate like gladiators prepared and rubbed down for the contest.

There are most excellent gentlemen on both clubs and the result of their friendly rivalry will be watched with great interest.

While the Democrats were holding forth in the parlors of the Carey the Traveling Men's McKinley club were meeting in another room in the same building. At the meeting they added forty-three more names to the membership of their club thus putting it way beyond the Bryan club numerically. They also made arrangements for a big meeting at the auditorium September 18, at which time Senator Harry Gordon and other orators will speak. They invite all the McKinley clubs of the city to participate with them in the meeting.

After the meeting was over a reporter for the Eagle talked with the leaders and when told about the challenge issued to them by the Bryan club for a joint debate they said they would promptly accept it and meet their challengers at any time they would suggest that would be suitable. When the statement was made that the Bryan club had 101 members they all smiled and asked who had been copying the names from the cemetery stones. "The had just seventeen at their meeting," said Mr. Richter, "and they were from all over country. All the names enrolled in our club are genuine."

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CHOSEN  
That and Other Important Business Done by County Committee.

The Republican county committee met yesterday and had a most successful and encouraging meeting. The committee was present and its various members made very flattering reports from their respective townships. The special correspondent of the Pittsburg Gazette was also present and having recently traveled in twenty-two states, made a report that set the committee wild with delight.

The following executive committee men were appointed: John A. Doran, J. H. McCall, W. H. Dwight, O. M. Fitzgerald and J. W. Chambers.

The newly appointed auditing committee is as follows: Tom Wilson, Tom Voss and J. D. Emrick.

It was decided to hold campaign meetings in every township in the county.

All day meetings will be held at the following places: Mt. Hope, Valley Center, Goddard, Clearwater, Haysville and Derby.

Both the Orphans and Goddard Glebe clubs were engaged for the campaign.

SENATOR LEEBY IN TOWN  
He Stays a Few Hours and Talks to Traveling Men.

Senator John W. Leedy, the Democratic candidate for governor, was in the city for a few hours last night en route from Marion to his home in Le Roy, Coffee county. He waited here from the arrival of the Rock Island until the departure of the Missouri Pacific and the most of the time was in the hands of Colonel Taylor.

He spoke a few minutes before the Bryan and Sewall Traveling Men's club which was being organized in the parlors of the Carey hotel.

Senator Leedy, after supper, came into the office of the Carey hotel and placed a straw hat on his head. He immediately took it off, looked at it carefully and said, "Well, I guess it is going to hold for a straw hat and I guess I will patronize Wichita to the extent of a few dollars. Where can I get a good hat?"

Colonel Taylor took him to charge and in about five minutes he returned with a brand new up-to-date stiff hat on his head and the old one in his hand. Mr. Leedy is quite a mixer and he met many men at the Carey and talked to them as freely as if he had known them for years.

"Yes," he said, "I would be glad to give the Eagle an interview if I knew of anything interesting and had time to tell it, but the fact is I am in a hurry this evening. I want to get home tonight. I have not been home for three weeks and I want to see the wife and children. I have spoken twice and three times a day and I have had big crowds at every place. When I come again I will give you an interview and I am saving a good story for you that I am going to tell you when it is more convenient."

ABOUT THE STATE FAIR  
Twelve Townships Will Contest for the \$100 Premium.

The lithographs are on the walls, hanging in the windows, the streamers are on the bridges, fences and every place they can be put as well as every one talking all proclaiming that the coming of the greatest state fair Kansas ever had. It will take place at Wichita, Sept. 21 to 28.

In the line of special attractions there will be the collection of curiosities from the tropics, from the sea and modern curiosities, many of which have never been exhibited to the people.

There will be the warmest competition between the home products raised in a single township ever seen in the west and the stuff to show this year will pay easterners to come west to see, and from the reports received at the secretary's office there will be many here to see and this alone will be worth thousands to Kansas.

There never has been so much general interest taken by the people to make this the banner fair as there is now. Not a paper of any note in the great state of Kansas but what is saying to their readers that it will be worth anyone's time and expense to be here fair week.

Prof. Wilson, a new phenomenal shot, will give daily exhibitions on the ground that will beat anything ever done by the great Dr. Carver. He challenges anyone to contest with him for the gold medal offered by the association.

To say that the races will be good is to underestimate a few of the horses now on the fair grounds in training daily: Billy Hollowell has in his charge Electric Light, a 2-year-old, owned by Lander of Anthony, which has shown speed that makes some doubtful about starting against him. A Directorilly owned by Langer of Chicago, sent here to be prepared for the races, also Mike Donovan and Paul, both by Ashland Wilkes, who are crack-jacks for their sires.

R. O. Graves' Lady Alfred shown that she has the stuff to take pool on and will be a favorite when the races are called.

## IS READY TO MARCH

BIG PARADE ARRANGED FOR NEXT THURSDAY.

Wichita Will be Visited by Hundreds of Celebrated Visitors Throughout the State and Oklahoma Who Will be Present on That Day to Witness the Dedication of the Handsome New Masonic Home—The City Will be Decorated and It Will be a General Holiday—Line of March and Who Will be in Charge.

All signs indicate that next Thursday will be generally observed by the citizens of Wichita.

On that date there will be hundreds of visitors in the city who will be here to attend the dedication of the Masonic home.

The people of Wichita feel gratified to the Masonic fraternity for locating the Home here, and they are proud of their city and proud that they had such a magnificent building to tender to the committee appointed to select a location for the Home.

Every member of the committee who came here is perfectly satisfied with the committee's action and when their constituents come here this week and see for themselves, they, too, will be highly gratified, for it would be a strange mind, indeed, that could find fault with the location of the Home, the handsome building, the beautiful grounds and the general furnishings and accommodations. It is simply a model Home, fit for other organizations to pattern after.

In another column will be found the proclamation of Mayor Cox, calling upon all citizens to decorate their residences and business houses in commemoration of the occasion, and the business houses have been asked to close between the hours of 1 and 4 p. m. of that day, and a general expression was given yesterday on all sides that the mayor's proclamation would be obeyed willingly and that Wichita would show to the thousands of visitors that her citizens fully appreciate the fact of the Home being located here.

The parade will be in charge of General W. S. Corbett and will formed at the court house on Market street and march west to Main street, south on Main to Douglas avenue, east on the avenue to the depot and counter march west to the Home.

General Corbett has appointed the following assistant marshals from the Sir Knights of the state:

E. Sir Perry M. Holmington, Newton.  
E. Sir Henry C. Loomis, Winfield.  
E. Sir E. H. Woolsey, Kingman.  
E. Sir Ed. Hays, Wellington.  
E. Sir E. W. Wellington, Ellsworth.  
E. Sir David H. Fuller, Eureka.  
E. Sir James S. Collins, Topeka.  
E. Sir Thomas L. Bond, Salina.  
E. Sir David F. Laws, Emporia.  
E. Sir W. K. Maxwell, Parsons.  
E. Sir Peter J. Freeding, Leavenworth.  
E. Sir D. D. Johnson, Atchison.  
E. Sir F. L. McDermott, Ft. Scott.  
E. Sir J. R. Roberts, Lawrence.  
E. Sir Charles A. Wilkins, Otero.  
E. Sir W. E. Zeigler, Independence.  
E. Sir F. A. Wilkinson, Ottawa.  
E. Sir George H. Adams, Hiawatha.  
E. Sir O. J. Richards, Great Bend.  
E. Sir J. C. Fry, Larned.  
E. Sir J. F. Lender, McPherson.  
E. Sir F. C. Armstrong, Eldorado.  
E. Sir Peter P. Kehoe, Clay Center.  
E. Sir W. H. Bridges, Kansas City.  
E. Sir Steve E. Quimby, Topeka.  
E. Sir Thomas H. Jones, Beloit.  
E. Sir R. R. Jacobs, Abilene.  
E. Sir George F. Tucker, Hutchinson.  
E. Sir Ben S. Paulsen, Fredonia.  
E. Sir John W. Maple, Girard.  
E. Sir L. T. Stanley, Pittsburg.  
E. Sir John H. Sterling, Arkansas City.

E. Sir Curtis W. Wann, Hays City.  
E. Sir C. L. Kelley, Council Grove.  
E. Sir C. H. Schneider, Horton.  
E. Sir J. J. Summerford, Dodge City.  
E. Sir W. E. Blackburn, Anthony.  
E. Sir Clayton B. Jewell, Goodland.  
E. Sir J. W. Dunley, Olathe.  
E. Sir Charles E. Schaefer, Marysville.  
E. Sir O. G. Burrows, Seneca.  
E. Sir Theodore Lasing, Concordia.  
E. Sir George W. Kendrick, Junction City.

E. Sir George H. Lindsey, Chanute.  
E. Sir Charles M. Jones, Wichita.  
It is expected that every subordinate lodge in the state will be represented by at least the officers of the lodge and that all lodges within a radius of 100 miles will be represented by the majority of its members.

The railroads have all granted reduced rates and not only Masons and their wives are expected, but hundreds of others who will come to witness the parade and beautiful ceremony.

The exercises will begin promptly at 2 o'clock and visitors will be entertained throughout the afternoon and evening.

The hotels will be taxed to their utmost capacity to entertain the visitors here on that date, and for this reason the dedication was not held during the state fair as at first proposed. It will be a great day for Wichita and her citizens should see that the visitors are well entertained.

The street car company will have plenty of cars on hand for the purpose of not only carrying visitors to and from the Home, but to other points of interest throughout the city.

THEY CROSSED BATS  
Battlers of Wichita Defeat Winfield in a Hot Contest.

Quite an exciting game of ball was played yesterday between Winfield and the Battlers of this city. The game was hotly contested from start to finish, and everybody came away well pleased. The score was 19 to 12 in favor of the Battlers. The same teams play today and Kid Lewis, the famous little twirler, will occupy the box for Winfield, and Love will do honors for the Battlers. No doubt there will be a great crowd to witness the game today as both teams are very evenly matched. Tomorrow Sedgwick will tackle the Battlers and being quite a number of Sedgwick fans down with them.

Miss Bessie Innes has returned for a month's visit to Chicago.

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